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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

**Designation of a Class of Employees for Addition to the
Special Exposure Cohort**

AGENCY: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HHS gives notice of a decision to designate a class of employees from the Hanford site in Richland, Washington, as an addition to the Special Exposure Cohort (SEC) under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7384q(b). 42 U.S.C. 7384l(14)(C).

On May 20, 2015, as provided for under 42 U.S.C.

73841(14)(C), the Secretary of HHS designated the following class of employees as an addition to the SEC:

"All employees of Department of Energy contractors and subcontractors (excluding employees of the following Hanford prime contractors during the specified time periods: Battelle Memorial Institute, January 1, 1984, through December 31, 1990; Rockwell Hanford Operations, January 1, 1984, through June 28, 1987; Boeing Computer Services Richland, January 1, 1984, through June 28, 1987; UNC Nuclear Industries, January 1, 1984, through June 28, 1987; Westinghouse Hanford Company, January 1, 1984, through December 31, 1990; and Hanford Environmental Health Foundation, January 1, 1984, through December 31, 1990), who worked at the Hanford site in Richland, Washington, during the period from January 1, 1984, through December 31, 1990, for a number of work days aggregating at least 250 work days, occurring either solely under this employment, or in combination with work days within the parameters established for one or more other classes of employees included in the Special Exposure Cohort."

This designation will become effective on June 21, 2015, unless Congress provides otherwise prior to the effective date. After this effective date, HHS will publish a notice in the Federal Register reporting the addition of this class to the SEC or the result of any provision by Congress regarding the decision by HHS to add the class to the SEC.

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